



Milwaukee County

Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr., 10th District

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GMC SAYS, "JUMP!" LEGISLATURE, COUNTY EXECUTIVE ASK, "HOW HIGH?"

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr., released the following statement regarding proposed legislation currently moving through the legislature that would create a comptroller position for Milwaukee County:

"Once again, the will of the people of Milwaukee County is being ignored. In 2008, Milwaukee County residents approved an advisory referendum in favor of a one-cent sales tax to fund transit, parks, culture, emergency medical services and property tax relief.

"It's sad that the legislature, time and time again, diminishes the voices emanating from the economic engine of Wisconsin. Milwaukee County has real needs that are being ignored. People want to improve their quality of life. But, since the Greater Milwaukee Committee (GMC) is the puppet master of the side show taking place in our state capital, State Legislators are doing what the GMC wants, rather than carrying out the wishes of constituents.

"Let me be clear: The GMC doesn't represent the will of the people. This group's agenda is to abolish County government, control assets that belong to the public, and continue to disregard what the people want. Residents in my district speak loudly yet are constantly ignored.

"I'm calling on Legislators from both sides of the aisle to reject this legislation and stand up for the people they represent, rather than the Greater Milwaukee Committee. People are fed up with special interests; they're fed up with government waste; and they don't want a new political office in Milwaukee County. It's beyond me why the Legislature would even consider this bill, which does nothing to improve the lives of Milwaukee County residents."

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